

City Reports

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PETE BUTTIGIEG, MAYOR

Mayor's Letter

Dear Employees:

This summer we continue to work to create an environment where government services are first-rate and all residents and businesses can thrive. To meet our objective of "making the basics easy," I wanted to remind you of the City's 311 citizen help line (or 574-233-0311 from outside City limits). Residents needing help with city-related, non-emergency questions, such as water billing, trash pickup, street light outages, and potholes, are encouraged to call.

Last month, I announced the formation of the City of South Bend Mentoring Initiative, a booster club to support local mentorship programs under the leadership of chairman David Buggs. The initiative is collaboration between the Mayor's Office, Common Council, and many community members to raise awareness and support for existing mentorship programs at Big Brothers Big Sisters of St Joseph County.

Organizations like Big Brothers Big Sisters already do impressive work in our community and we hope that with the support of the booster club they will be able to expand their programs to reach even more of our city's youth.

Mentorship programs provide positive role models and long-term support for at-risk students. Introducing mentors into the lives of these students significantly increases their chances for academic and personal success and decreases the likelihood of the students engaging in dangerous or violent behavior. Mentorship programs also help to build a deeper sense of community and provide a path to a successful future for our city's at-risk students.

Over the next two years, we hope to double the number of mentors in our community. If you are interested in volunteering your time and energy as a mentor, more information can be found at www.MentorSouthBend.com.

In May, I was also pleased to see that the third annual Lincoln Way West Community Clean Up initiative was a huge success. Many thanks to organizer Consuella Hopkins and the nearly 300 community members who came out to plant flowers, pick up litter, and help maintain lawns along 40 blocks of our city. It is exciting to see so many citizens involved in grassroots efforts to beautify our city. I hope it's a trend that continues.

I wish all residents a safe and enjoyable summer.

Sincerely,


Mayor Pete

Remembering John Stancati

The South Bend Water Works was saddened by the passing of longtime Director **John Stancati**. John began with the City in 1983 at Century Center, worked at Streets, became the Director of Water Works in 1992 and retired in 2008. John charted the path of the organization with his leadership and foresight. While he was not a professionally trained water operator, he truly understood what it took to run a water utility. John's hard-nosed attitude earned him the respect of his co-workers. He once drove all night to Minnesota to get a piece of water treatment equipment and then came back to install it right away so operations would not be disrupted. John's humor and frankness were often on display during personnel issues, budget crises, water treatment plant disruptions, or at late night water main breaks.

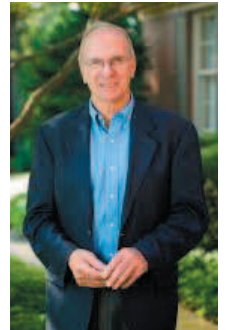
Staff comments:

- John's management style was sleek, precise, seasoned, and commanded respect.
- John loved politics but hated the spotlight.
- He once stated that he "Does not like to be supervised."
- Staff meetings could quickly become discussions on the state of IU basketball.
- He equipped us to handle our areas and handle them well.
- John's evaluations were like a revolving door—you were in and out so quickly.
- He hated micro-management. He encouraged thinking outside the box and creative solutions.
- John focused on "winning the war." Most daily battles were not worth fighting.
- He was fiercely loyal and expected the same.
- John could walk in to any room, anywhere, and know someone.

John retired yet continued to serve—on the South Bend Community School board, on the Redevelopment Commission, as well as being a bailiff for the Juvenile Justice Center.

John was very involved with the charity, *Water for People*, a non-profit organization of the highest rating, that brings clean, safe drinking water to people in developing countries. 100% of all public donations directly fund water projects. One out of nine people in the world drink unsafe water.

Many people have been blessed by John's life of service and he will be greatly missed. We can learn from his example.



Citywide Anniversaries

June 2013

40 Years–1973

Daniel Butler..... Park Dept

25 Years–1988

David Machowiak Wastewater

15 Years–1998

Brian Powell Park Dept

Stephanie Marciniak..... Police Dept

Angela Kline..... Police Dept

David Herron..... Police Dept

Thia Vawter Engineering

10 Years–2003

Timothy Megyese Fire Dept

Jason Bango..... Fire Dept

Craig Fruth..... Fire Dept

Steven Gervais..... Fire Dept

Elizabeth Hertel Price..... Fire Dept

Kevin Kurtz..... Fire Dept

Peter Pajakowski..... Fire Dept

Brian Replogle..... Fire Dept

5 Years–2008

Gaetano Dedonato..... Park Dept

William Schoolman..... Wastewater

Join Hands Day 2013

JOIN HANDS DAY is a national volunteer day when young people and adults plan and work together to do something good in their community. In honor of JOIN HANDS DAY on Saturday, May 4, the Centre Township Arbor of Gleaner Life Insurance Society, along with Girl Scout Troop 30135 (Hannah Schrader, daughter of **Nick and Nancy Schrader**, Fire Dept.) joined forces to benefit our very own South Bend Animal Care and Control. The groups first met at the old building on Olive Street where they cleaned up the south side of the building and took a picture of the hand-painted mural located there. The groups then moved on to the new building on Eclipse Place to plant flowers around the front entrance. After making cuddly blankets for the dogs and fun toys for the cats, the groups were able to present a framed, enlarged photo of the hand-painted mural from the old building as a remembrance to employees of SBACC (**Stasia Orlowski and Elizabeth Goerner**). All ages enjoyed providing a little TLC to our SBACC friends! Thank you all for what you do!



Adopt a Pet



Prince Harry

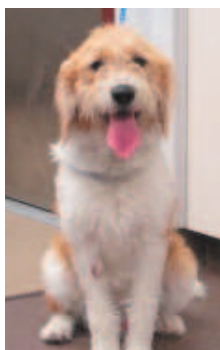
Pet ID: A19333965, house trained

Prince Harry likes to romp and play with toys. He appears to get along well with other cats. He is current with fel-o-vax and rabies shots, and he is F.I.V. and FiLV negative.

Bisquit

Pet ID: 19956360

Almost one year old, Bisquit is an unneutered male wire-haired terrier mix. He is very active, friendly, and well socialized. Appears to get along well with dogs and children. He is heartworm negative and is up to date on his bordatella and distemper combo vaccine. He requires a rabies vaccination prior to adoption.



Mother's Day Family Equestrian Ride

There was great weather on Sunday, May 12 for the 2013 Mother's Day Family Equestrian Trail Ride. Even brief rain in the late afternoon did not stop this sold out event. Saylor's End of the Trail Riding Stables took three sessions of ten riders through the scenic horse trails of Potato Creek State Park. Our next ride is the Fall Family Equestrian Trail Ride on October 12. Please register early since the Mother's Day Ride sold out two months before the event!



Strawberry Orange Muffins

Process in a little grinder or processor until finely ground: 3 tablespoons almonds, 2 tablespoons flour, 2 tablespoons brown sugar, 1 teaspoons orange zest, freshly grated, 1/4 teaspoon salt. Drizzle with 2 tablespoons canola oil, put in *small bowl* to use for the topping.

Cupcake ingredients:
3/4 cup flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt

in a big bowl whisk together:
1 cup whole-wheat flour
1 teaspoon baking soda

In a medium bowl whisk until well combined:

1/2 cup brown sugar
1/4 cup canola oil
1/4 cup orange juice
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 teaspoons orange zest
3/4 cup low-fat buttermilk*
1 large egg

Make a well in the center of the dry ingredients and pour in the wet ingredients; stir until just combined. Add strawberries; stir just to combine.

1 1/2 cups strawberries, chopped fresh or frozen; not thawed; about 8 ounces

Preheat oven to 400°F. Coat a 12-cup muffin pan with cooking spray.

Divide the batter among the prepared muffin cups. Sprinkle with the almond topping, gently pressing into the batter.

Bake the muffins until golden brown and a wooden skewer inserted in the center comes out clean, 18 to 20 minutes; let cool in the pan for 10 minutes, then transfer to a wire rack to cool for at least 5 minutes more before serving.

* Make buttermilk by adding 1 teaspoon vinegar to your milk.

Variation: For Strawberry-Basil Muffins, omit orange zest and use 1/4 cup additional buttermilk in place of orange juice. Stir in 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil with the berries in Step 3.

2013 Stormwater Workshop

Thursday, June 13, 2013

Topic: LaSalle School Area Sewer Separation and Stormwater Treatment Wetland Project, City of South Bend. This project is a "green" component of the City's CSO Long Term Control Plan.

Agenda:

8:30am Registration
9:00am Welcome and Overview of Project: John Engstrom, P.E., Jack Dillon, Ph.D.
9:30am Wetland Design and Engineering - Donohue & Associates: Emily Wehmeyer, P.E., Steven Sticklen, P.E.
10:15am Break and Light Refreshments
10:30am Wetland Native Plant Design and Maintenance
Scott Dierks, P.E. - Cardno-JF New
11:15am Project Construction - Thad Bessinger, C&E Excavating, Inc., Dan Fuerbringer, Fuerbringer Landscaping
11:30am Door Prizes
11:35am Field Visit, Wetland

Bus transportation will be provided for those interested.

Noon Adjourn

RSVP the completed form on reverse side to Maria Mast by email at mschaefer@co.st-joseph.in.us or fax 235-5057 by June 3, 2013. The workshop is free to all registered attendees. Two (2) Continuing Education Hours are available.

Who should attend:

Government Officials / Policy Makers, Engineers, MS4 Staff, Developers, Regulators, Contractors, Students

Location: LaSalle Academy School, 2701 Elwood Avenue, South Bend, IN 46628. Please park in the southeast parking lot.

Registration Form:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Continuing Education Credits (Two Credits are available):

☐ Yes ☐ No

License Type/Number: / _____

Employees' Corner

Administration & Finance

Congratulations to **Rob Yeary** (Safety & Risk) for winning the Department's Penguin Award! Rob is on call for any city casualty or disaster that may occur. He consistently provides safety training to the various departmental employees, and he advises on workers comp and risk management issues. Rob often sacrifices family time for the welfare of the city. He is most deserving of the award!



Community Investment

Don Inks, who served the city for 31 years, retired April 30 with a smile well set on his face. He was the Director of Redevelopment for the last 13 years and has been a patient, steady, reliable source of objective information and facts and figures that many have relied on. Don gave unselfishly of his time for the betterment of the community with no concern for recognition. So much has been accomplished through the department in the past 31 years and Don had his hand in most of the projects.

Besides his integrity, Don is well known for his bushy mustache and coffee. We all sported "staches" at his party while holding up coffee cups. He seems to be powered by chocolate and coffee.

Don is enjoying fishing, working on finishing their house and having more time to do the things he enjoys. We were glad to learn he will serve on the Redevelopment Commission, so the city will continue to benefit from his years of experience.



Don Inks, Pam Meyer, Ann Kolata & Mike Divita with "staches"

Engineering

Camilla B. Corle, step-daughter of **Jennifer Corle**, is graduating from James Whitcomb Riley High School June 9. Cami spent her last two years of high school in the nursing magnet program, through which she earned college credit as well as a nurse's aide license. Cami plans to go to IUSB in the fall with the goal of entering a nursing program to become a NICU nurse, her long-time career goal. It's exciting to see her reaching for her dream! Congratulations, Cami!



Beth Inks, the "stash" instigator



Equipment Services

Congratulations to **Al-ian Miller**, Director of Radio Communications, on his retirement on April 30. Al has been with the City for almost 31 years.



Central Services celebrated with a big party on his last day of work. Al was presented with a Key to the City, along with cards and gifts from all of us at Central Services. We wish him a happy retirement.



Legal Department

We are pleased to have **Cristal Brisco**, join the City as full time Corporation Counsel. Cristal is a Hoosier native, and a graduate of Valparaiso University and Notre Dame Law School. She is one of this year's "Forty Under 40" professionals recognized by the Chamber of Commerce and the South Bend Tribune, a "Rising Star" in business and employment litigation mentioned in Indiana Super Lawyers, and one of a select few "Up and Coming Lawyers" in Indiana Lawyer. Please make Cristal feel welcome as she joins the City's leadership team.



Water Works

Customer Service Representative, **Billi Vigan-ski**, was married on Saturday, May 18, on the island at the Century Center. The wedding was beautiful and this is a pic of the blushing bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mayfield.



Our condolences go out to **Dale Wooten** on the passing of his wife, Terry Wooten, on April 4. Also, to **Rich Mills** on the passing of his step-father, Bill Morgan, on March 29.



Children's Arts in the Park All programs are free!

Thursdays, 10:30 am:

- 6/13 Trash to Treasure Craft with Solid Waste District of St. Joseph County at Seitz Park
- 6/20 "Flower Power" with at Howard Park (Playground Area)
- 6/27 Spin Art at Potawatomi Park (Large Shelter House)
- 7/4 No Program? Visit the St. Joseph County 4-H Fair
- 7/11 (No Program) Will be setting up for 13th Annual TCU Kids' Triathlon
- 7/18 Water Fun with South Bend Parks Aquatic Staff at Seitz Park (Grass Knoll)
- 7/25 Face Painting Fun!! at Potawatomi Park (Large Shelter House)

ArtsEverywhere Performing Arts Series Chris Wilson Pavilion, Potawatomi Park, Saturdays, 7pm

- 7/20 IUSB's Raclin School of the Arts presents The Wizard of Oz, a play for children, with additional children's activities
- 7/27 Notre Dame Shakespeare Festival's Young Company performs "A Comedy of Errors"
- 8/3 South Bend Civic Theatre and Elkhart Civic Theatre present an evening of musical hits
- 8/10 Southold Dance Theater presents an evening of dance
- 8/17 The California Guitar Trio and New West Guitar Group perform jazz
- 8/24 South Bend Symphony Orchestra, featuring Maestro Tsung Yeh

Events

For more events happening in the City, check out: www.visitsouthbend.com and www.downtownsouthbend.com

A Little Name Dropping...

Welcome April 2013

Andre Baldwin	Water Works
Virginia Brow	Police Communications
Thomas Cleveland.....	Curb & Sidewalks
Marcy Cripe	Water Works
Jason Denman	Fire
Beth Ferrettie	Legal Department
Daniel Galeziewski.....	Police Department
Ashley Hall.....	Police Communications
Kara Kelly.....	Mayor's Office
Tyler King.....	Fire
Kenyen Lederman.....	Fire
Lisa McCreary	Fire
Robert Patterson	Fire
Andrew Pavolka	Fire
Brian Piper	Fire
Jessica Ringer	Fire
Michael Self	Parks
James Spaulding	Police Communications

Potawatomi Park Concert Series

These **Sunday** concerts are free and open to the public, from **7:00-8:00 p.m.**, unless otherwise noted. Bring your chair.

- 6/23 Kellirae & Craig
- 6/30 Michiana Jazz Assemblage
- 7/7 Twin City Concert Band
- 7/14 Los Hermanos Bueno and St. Adelbert's Folkloric Dance Troup Terra Vive (from 5:00-8:00 p.m.)
- 7/21 The Valleyaires
- 7/28 Truth in Jazz (from 7:00-9:00 p.m.)
- 8/4 The Summer Quarter
- 8/11 The Pat Heiden Quarter
- 8/18 Ruby Jazayre & The Sisters of the Nile (from 7:00-9:00 p.m.)
- 8/25 Michiana Concert Band

Change of Pace April 2013

Joshua Lichnerowicz	Central Services from Mechanic III to Mechanic IV
Erin Ross.....	Potawatomi Zoo from Keeper I to Keeper II
Thomas Wetter	Central Services from Machinist IV to Machinist V
Ronald Zehner.....	Water Works from Maintenance Tech I to Maintenance Tech II

Retirements April 2013

Donald Inks	Community Investment (31 yrs 5 mos dedicated service)
Allan Miller.....	Radio Shop (30 yrs 9 mos dedicated service)



For more information on the following events contact:

CENTURY CENTER	9711
COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME	5715
S.B. REGIONAL MUSEUM OF ART	9102
MORRIS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER	9190
PARKS/RECREATION DEPARTMENT	299-4765
NOTRE DAME	631-5031
ST. PATRICK'S COUNTY PARK	288-3472
NO. INDIANA CENTER FOR HISTORY	235-9664
ST. JOE COUNTY 4-H FAIRGROUNDS	291-4870

Century Center

- 6/2,9,16,23,30 New Life Deliverance Church Service 10am
- 6/6,13,20, 27 Kiwanis Club of South Bend
- 6/5, 12,19,26 Rotary Club of South Bend
- 6/19 Golfing on the Gridiron (Blackthorn Golf Club)
- 6/20 American Red Cross – World Refugee Day (Gridiron)
- 6/21 Zamora
- 6/22 Northern Indiana Bodybuilding Championships
- 7/5 Meet Me on the Island
- 7/7,14,21,28 New Life Deliverance Church Service 10am
- 7/3,10,17,24,31 Rotary Club of South Bend
- 7/11,18,25 Kiwanis Club of South Bend

The Morris Performing Arts Center

- 6/7 Fridays by the Fountain–Duke Tumatote (Blues)
- 6/9 WRBR's The Bear's Big Growl (St. Joseph County Fairgrounds – Morris Box Office is selling tickets)
- 6/14 Fridays by the Fountain–Kennedy's Kitchen (Irish)
- 6/20 Gordon Lightfoot
- 6/21 Fridays by the Fountain–Billy "Stix" Nicks & the Motown Review (R&B)
- 6/21 The Oak Ridge Boys
- 6/22 South Bend Blues & Ribs Fest (Coveleski Stadium – Morris Box Office is selling tickets)
- 6/28 Fridays by the Fountain–Jetta and the Jellybeans (Children)
- 7/2 Alice Cooper
- 7/5 Fridays by the Fountain–Terry and the Heartbeats (Pop, R&B Soul)
- 7/12 Fridays by the Fountain–The Douglas James Band (Country)
- 7/14 Harry Connick, Jr.
- 7/19 Fridays by the Fountain–Unraveling String Band (Oldies)
- 7/26 Fridays by the Fountain–Top Secret (Rock)

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Fire Department		9255
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Potawatomi Zoo	Pat Fenters.....	9800
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Studebaker Nat'l Museum		9714
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Water Works.....	Jodie Spradlin.....	5663

If you have anything you would like to put into the paper, either contact your reporter (above), or you can fax it (235-9171) or send a typed or neatly printed copy to **Marcia Qualls (Engineering)** or **Mary Beth Wisniewski (City Clerk)** Please do not send anything without a name and phone number in case we have questions.

East Race Concert Series, Seitz Park

Sundays, 4:00-7:00 pm

- 6/23 This End Up
- 6/30 Everyday People
- 7/7 Terry & the Heartbeats
- 7/14 Highlife Band
- 7/21 Fiddler's Hearth Celtic Concert
- 7/28 Elwood Splinters Blues Band
- 8/4 Hoosier Highway
- 8/11 Billy "Stix" Nicks & the Motown Dance Party
- 8/18 Soul Funkshun
- 8/25 Whistle Pigs

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